



# The Dorm Inform

The Graduate Dormitory Housing Office  
monthly newsletter

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Hello Grad Residents,

A few updates for the month of October...

## **Room Change & Contract Cancellation:**

Even though it still seems so early in the academic year, I know some students have been making plans for spring semester already. If anyone's plans include wanting to move out of the Graduate Dormitories, it is better for you to submit a Contract Cancellation form to the GHO sooner than later. Cancellation forms submitted by November 11, 2011 will be prioritized and used to assist new applicants looking for housing for January 2012. The GHO makes no guarantees about approving requests received late in the semester.

Students looking to change dorms or rooms within their same dorm should also submit a Room Change Request to the GHO. Room Change requests are processed, in the order in which they are received, where I can accommodate your request. If you have already submitted a Room Change form, you do not need to submit another. I will be in contact with students, ONLY if I can offer you a change of buildings or rooms.

Both dorm Room Change Forms and Contract Cancellation forms can be found from our website page at: <http://www.yale.edu/gradhousing/students/forms.html>.

## **Laundry Money Refunds:**

Associated Student Agencies (ASA) has informed the Grad Housing Office that any students who still have money on their ID cards from the laundry room, can have that money credited to their SFAS account by visiting ASA at 246 Church St. Please bring your ID card with you when you visit!

254 & 276 P St laundry rooms WILL be getting the credit card payment set-up soon. They are still completing some of the Ethernet wiring and hardware installation in the grad apartments and, alas, these two house-style dorms. You haven't been forgotten...

**HHH Lock-out ID cards:**

With the stairwell doors in HHH now on the card readers system, temp access cards have been added to the Lock-box so students can get into the elevator or stairwells to get back into the residence. The cards are attached to the AAAW keys so like before, if locked-out, borrow your room key and then a "AAAW1", "AAAW2", etc. key, to get the card. These cards ONLY work for the elevator and the stairwell doors – NOT the front door or even the inside glass doors to HHH. (Sorry – but this is to prevent students from borrowing a card and loaning it to someone to get into and out of HHH).

**Temp Access cards from Move-in Week:**

The GDHO will start billing all students who have NOT returned their Temp Access to their RC or the GHO this week. We will send you an email, informing you that a \$25 charge is being applied to your SFAS because of the "lost" access card you were assigned.

**Programming within the Dorms:**

Keep your eyes and ears open for fun programming events taking place in your dormitory! The Resident Coordinators have been planning some fun events but are always looking for more ideas of things students would like to do – either inside the building (pizza night study breaks, ping pong tournaments, watching the World Series as a group, etc.) or out-side of the building (trips to the movies, Laser-Tag night, etc.) Please feel free to drop your RC staff a note or ask them to schedule a Residents Committee meeting to talk about fun ways to spend your Social fund fees!

Thanks all. Enjoy this fine New England weather we've got for the next several days!

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